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SOYBEAN INSPECTIONS DECREASE IN MARCH

Inspected receipts of soybeans in March were somewhat smaller than for the preceding month and considerably below the March average for the crop years 1941-45, according to reports to the Department of Agriculture. March inspections totaled 3,927 cars compared with 4,374 cars in February and the March average of 4,884 cars. Inspected receipts for October through March this season were 66,196 cars compared with 69,417 cars for the same period last year.

March inspections showed 91 percent grading No. 2 or better, the same percentage as for February. Eighty-six percent graded No. 2 or better for October-March this season compared with 69 percent last season.

Inspections of soybeans in March included the equivalent of 19 cars inspected as cargo lots and truck receipts equal to about 24 cars.

Soybeans: Inspected receipts, March 1948, in carlots 1/.

Class	Grade					Total		Total
	No.1	No.2	No.3	No.4	Sample	March 1948	Oct. 1, 1947 - Mch. 31, 1948	
Yellow	1,986	1,467	213	83	57	3,806		63,176
Green	3	2	1	1	0	7		264
Brown	1	0	0	0	0	1		50
Black	11	64	6	1	1	83		1,089
Mixed	5	17	6	2	0	30		1,617
Total cars	2,006	1,550	226	87	58	3,927		
Percentages	51	40	6	2	1	100		
October-March Cars	35,821	21,519	6,367	1,780	709			66,196
1947-1948 Percentages	54	32	10	3	1			100
October-March Cars	18,334	29,593	16,460	4,361	669			69,417
1946-1947 Percentages	26	43	24	6	1			100

1/Cargo and truck receipts converted to carlots on basis of 1,650 bushels equal 1 carlot.

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